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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takashi SASAKI et al.
Title: GAS SEPARATOR
Appl. No.: 09/417,918
Appl. Filing Date: October 13, 1999

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

☒ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on June 13, 2003.

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01 FC:1601
07/14/2003 SDIRETA1 00000015 09417918 520.00 DP
02 FC:1253

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)				\$750.00	\$750.00
Total Claims:	4	20	0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents:	1	5	0	x \$84.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+	\$280.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$750.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$930.00	\$520.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$520.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$1270.00
TOTAL FEE:		\$1270.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$1270.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Extension for response filed within the second month was paid on June 13, 2003.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

By

Date July 11, 2003

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